(*e*) The schemes included in the Plan are implemented to the extent of Budget provision.

(*f*) Preference is given to works under progress so as to expedite their completion.

(*g*) Yes.

I.V.C. Road from Kundur.

Q.—94. **Sri L. SIDDAPPA** (Channagiri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have sanctioned an estimate at a cost of Rs. 78,800 for forming an inter-village communication road from Kundur to join the Channagiri-Davangere Road and for constructing bridges over Sulekere Halla ;

(*b*) the date of sanction of the estimate ;

(*c*) the amount provided in the current year's Budget for the said works ;

(*d*) whether the work has been started ;

(*e*) if not, the reasons for not starting the work ;

(*f*) whether they are aware that this work is in the area affected by distress conditions in Honnali and Channagiri Taluks ?

A.—**Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA** (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) Yes, at a cost of Rs. 78,400.

(*b*) Administrative sanction was accorded on 6th January 1950 ;

(*c*) No amount was specially earmarked for this work since it was expected that the road would be taken up out of the Rural Communication grants allotted to Shimoga District ;

(*d*) Not yet.

(*e*) The source from which this expenditure should be met was being examined ;

(*f*) Yes. The Deputy Commissioner has been instructed to take up the work out of the allotment made to Shimoga District under Distress Relief Funds if the work is urgent.

Lakkavalli Project.

Q.—97. **Sri L. SIDDAPPA** (Channagiri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are aware that the Lakkavalli Reservoir is designed to irrigate 1,80,000 acres in Tarikere, Shimoga, Bhadravathi, Channagiri and Honnali of Shimoga District and in Davangere and Harihar of Chitaldrug District ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that acute distress conditions are prevailing in these taluks especially in the area in these taluks which will be served by the reservoir and its channels ;

(*c*) whether they are aware that even in normal years crops will be affected in this area for want of timely and adequate rainfall ;

(*d*) whether they are aware that as a result of failure of crop in successive years during the past decade the economic condition of the people of this area is fast deteriorating ;

(*e*) when the original decision of Government to work out the full programme of the works connected with the reservoir was given up and a reduced programme under "go-slow policy" was adopted ;

(*f*) the extent of land that will be irrigated under the latter programme and the taluks covered ;

(*g*) in view of the acute distress conditions prevailing in the area to be served by the Reservoir, the steps they have taken to give effect to the full programme so as to complete the various works connected with the project within the course of five or six years ;

(*h*) the estimated cost of the reduced programme of works and in how many years it is proposed to work out the reduced programme of works ;

(*i*) the amount given for these works annually from the date of sanction of the project ?

A.—**Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA** (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.